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Renee Brogdon**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully request a one-month extension of time in which to file a response to the Office Action mailed August 25, 2005, for which a response period expired on November 25, 2005. The extended period expires on December 27, 2005.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) additional extension fee of \$60.00 to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees and/or patent application processing fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 and §1.17 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,

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